

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. The condition of the state reserves in chemicals as of 31 December 1952 was:

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Value in DM East</u>
Calcium carbide	50 t.	290 per t.
Zinc white	250 t.	516.80 per t.
Titanium dioxide	65 t.	2,650 per t.
Copal	19.7 t.	1,231 per t.
Shellac	14.8 t.	2,529.30 per t.
Acetone	9.9 t.	2,250 per t.
Borax	853.3 t.	328.50 per t.
Caustic soda	2,490.8 t.	297.40 per t.
Sodium carbonate	1,005.1 t.	140 per t.
Uranium oxide	18.5 kg.	17 per kg.
Rubidium salts	55 kg.	500 per kg.
Buna	1,000 t.	3,413 per t.
Oil of turpentine	481.7 t.	952.90 per t.
Natural rubber	870.9 t.	3,590 per t.
Jute bags	1,000	1.85 per bag

These reserves were almost all accumulated in the second quarter of 1952.  
In no case was the quota attained.

2. The plan for 1953 calls for the production of 2,000 tons of aluminum oxide, 20,000 tons of iron pyrites and 2,000 tons of sodium carbonate for the Sodawerk Fred Oelssner<sup>1</sup>. None is on hand as yet.

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3. The Secratarial for State Reserves has a building program including the construction of ten grain elevators of 15,000 tons capacity each. Both money and building materials are lacking.

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